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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, MNUC, UNGA, AS
SUBJECT: REPORTED AUSTRALIAN INITIATIVE ON COMPREHENSIVE
TEST BAN

1. MFA'S OFFICE DIRECTOR FOR DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS, FERRETTI, ASKED FOR USG VIEWS ON WHAT LOCAL AUSTRALIAN EMBASSY OFFICIALS HAVE DESCRIBED TO HIM AS AN AUSTRALIAN MOVE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AT THE UPCOMING UNGA SESSION.

2. FERRETTI SAID THAT AUSTRALIANS TOLD HIM OF THE INITIATIVE, PERHAPS A DRAFT RESOLUTION, THIS MORNING, AND IMPLIED AUSTRALIANS WERE ASKING FOR GOI SUPPORT. FERRETTI SAID SUBJECT WILL BE TAKEN UP BY THE EC'S DISARMAMENT EXPERTS GROUP IN THE HAGUE ON SEPTEMBER 16, AND IN NATO ON OCTOBER 4 AND 5.

3. FERRETTI WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE RECEIVING INFORMATION AS TO USG ASSESSMENT AND VIEWS ON THIS INITIATIVE, (WHICH HE UNDERSTANDS IS SIMILAR TO ONE MADE BY AUSTRALIA AT 30TH UNGA SESSION) IN SUFFICIENT TIME TO HELP SHAPE GOI'S VIEWS PRIOR TO THE EC MEETING AND HOPEFULLY SO AS TO HELP DEVELOP A UNIFIED EC, INCLUDING FRENCH, POSITION AT NATO.

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4. COMMENT: FERRETTI CLEARLY DOESN'T WANT TO GET GOI WIRES

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CROSSED WITH US, AND COULD BE QUITE HELPFUL TO US AS ABOVE-
MENTIONED MEETINGS. RECOMMEND WE PROVIDE HIM OUR VIEWS AS
PROMPTLY AND COMPREHENSIVELY AS POSSIBLE. BEAUDRY

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